

## Message Text

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INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 IO-13 ISO-00 FEA-01 ERDA-05 AID-05  
CEA-01 CIAE-00 COME-00 EPG-02 DODE-00 EB-07  
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O 010853Z JUN 77  
FM AMEMBASSY TRIPOLI  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4427  
INFO AMEMBASSY CAIRO  
AMEMBASSY TUNIS IMMEDIATE  
AMEMBASSY ALGIERS  
AMEMBASSY LONDON  
AMEMBASSY PARIS  
AMEMBASSY ROME IMMEDIATE  
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C O N F I D E N T I A L TRIPOLI 0715

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PFOR, PLOS, ENRG, TS, LY  
SUBJ: LIBYAN-TUNISIAN SHELF DISPUTE: LOCATION AND STATUS DRILL RIG

REF: USCINCEUR MSG 281805Z MAY 77

1. LIBYANS HAVE PUBLICLY FIXED LOCATION OF DRILLING RIG  
BATES AT 34 DEGREES 01 MINUTES 01 SECONDS NORTH, 12 DEGREES  
14 MINUTES 02 SECONDS EAST WHICH LOCATED WEST OF LIBYAN-  
CLAIMED CONCESSIONS. THIS OBVIOUS ERROR WAS DISCUSSED AT  
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WEEKLY MAY 30 NOC "SCOURTS" MEETING, WE ARE TOLD BY US OILMAN  
PRESENT, AND IT WAS AGREED THAT TRUE POSITION OF BATES IS  
AT 34 DEGREES 01 MINUTES 01 SECONDS NORTH, 12 DEGREES  
34 MINUTES 02 SECONDS EAST WHICH IS WITHIN IMMEDIATE  
VICINITY SCARABEO IV CAPPED WELL D LA-NC41.

2. AT NOC MEETING GOVERNMENT COMPANY REPS REPORTED

THAT DRILL RIG HAD "SPUDDDED" NEW WELL MAY 30. NEW  
WELL IS TO BE DESIGNATED D2-NC41.

3. SEVERAL KNOWLEDGEABLE TRIPOLI-BASED US OILMEN TELL  
US THAT THEY HAVE LEARNED FROM NOC SOURCES THAT BATES  
CONTRACT IS FOR 60 TO 70 THOUSAND DOLLARS PER DAY,  
VICE 25 TO 30 THOUSAND.  
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## Message Attributes

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